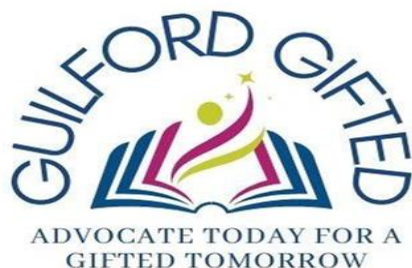


NEWS FROM THE ACADEMICALLY GIFTED DEPARTMENT

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Guilford Gifted is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization supporting our community's brightest young minds with strong advocacy for the advancement of gifted education. We provide the tools to engage and empower all those involved with gifted children, thereby building tomorrow's leaders today. **It's FREE to join!**

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News From Our School

Second semester has begun...our Nighthawks have been hard at work in classes, sports, and clubs! Registration for 2025-26 takes place in March, and the parent portal to register is open February 14 – 23. Please contact our school counselors if you have any questions. NGMS held its first Data Day last month and plans to hold another on February 21st. This is a time for students to have a few minutes, one-on-one, with a staff member to discuss their data, particularly NWEA/MAP data. This assessment is one measure we use to determine growth and achievement in our students. By seeing where they currently are, students can set goals for themselves with some guidance and encouragement.

From the AG Department:

Parent Tips: Supporting Your Gifted Middle Schooler

Research consistently demonstrates that notetaking is a powerful tool that significantly contributes to academic success by enhancing comprehension, memory retention, and overall learning outcomes.

The following suggestions for notetaking strategies are pulled from one of NCDPI's Advanced Learning Labs on [Creativity and Research Explorations](#). These Learning Labs are an excellent source of enrichment ideas for advanced learners from Kindergarten through High School.

Why do we take notes? What is the best way to do so? View the article on the NPR website below and read about research findings on the best way to take notes:

<https://tinyurl.com/2v9udc2j>



Notes can be taken by hand or by using a computer. You might take notes in the style of Cornell notes or use Sketchnotes. Sketchnotes add creativity and visual interest to your notes. Watch this video to learn the basics of sketchnoting:

<https://tinyurl.com/bde3wvxd>



NAGCT Webinar Series: They'll Be Fine



NAGCT's *They'll Be Fine* podcast provides families with valuable insights and practical advice on topics like social-emotional development, overcoming academic challenges, and strategies for nurturing their child's potential.

Check out their latest episode which dives into executive functioning for gifted students and how to support your child's success:

<https://tinyurl.com/3bsh3wtv>

